

Docket No.: 043890-063

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Yoshihiro UENO, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7488

Application No.: 10/634,995 : Group Art Unit: 2653

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For: DISK DRIVE APPARATUS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 3, 2005, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire May 3, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: